

IN THE CLAIMS

1- 36 (canceled)

37. (previously presented) A method for providing a recipe to a user in audible form, such that an interactive session is established, comprising:

accessing a series of instructions related to a recipe ;

sequentially providing the series of instructions to the user using an output device that provides each of the instructions in an audible form for the user to hear;

detecting a spoken utterance from the user while the series of instructions are being provided to the user; and

responding to the spoken utterance by providing additional instructional data to the user using the output device to provide the additional instructional data in an audible form for the user to hear,

wherein an interactive cooking session is established such that a subsequent one of the instructions is not provided to the user until the user provides a particular spoken utterance requesting the subsequent instruction.

38. (canceled) .

39. (previously presented) The method of claim 37 further comprising:

accessing a glossary as a function of detecting the spoken utterance; and

providing the additional data from the glossary.

40. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising:

initiating a timer as a function of the spoken utterance from the user; and
providing an indication at an expiration of a time interval associated with the timer.

41. (previously presented) The method of claim 40, further comprising:

initiating a second timer as a function of the spoken utterance from the user; and
providing a second indication at an expiration of a time interval associated with the second timer.

42. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 40, wherein the timer is associated with a particular segment of the data related to cooking.

43. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising:

translating at least a portion of the data relating to cooking from a first language into a second language; and
providing the translated portion to the user.

44. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 37, further comprising converting a portion of the data relating to cooking from a first unit of measurement to a second unit of measurement.

45. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising, retrieving the data related to cooking from a remote location.

46. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising transmitting the data related to cooking to a hand-held device.

47. (previously presented) The method of claim 37 wherein the initial data comprises data related to two or more recipes.

48. (previously presented) The method of claim 37, further comprising modifying the additional data as a function of a second utterance.

49. (previously presented) An apparatus for providing a recipe to a user in audible form, such that an interactive session is established, comprising:

means for sequentially providing a series of instructions, related to a recipe, using an output device that provides each of the instructions in an audible form for the user to hear;

means for detecting a spoken utterance from the user, while the series of instructions are being provided to the user; and

means for providing additional instructional data in response to the utterance using the output device, to the user in audible form,

wherein an interactive cooking session is established such that a subsequent one of the instructions is not provided to the user until the user provides a particular spoken utterance requesting the subsequent instruction.

50. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising:

means for accessing a glossary as a function of detecting an utterance; and

means for providing additional data from the glossary.

51. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising:

means for initiating a timer as a function of the utterance from the user; and

means for providing an indication at an expiration of a time interval associated with the timer.

52. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 51, further comprising:

means for initiating a second timer as a function of the utterance from the user;

and

means for providing a second indication at an expiration of a time interval associated with the second timer.

53. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in claim 51, wherein the timer is associated with a particular segment of the data related to cooking.

54. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising:

means for translating at least a portion of the data relating to cooking from a first language into a second language; and

means for providing the translated portion to the user.

55. (previously presented) The apparatus as claimed in claim 49, further comprising means for converting a portion of the data relating to cooking from a first unit of measurement to a second unit of measurement.

56. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising, means for retrieving the data related to cooking from a remote location.

57. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising means for transmitting the data related to cooking to a hand-held device.

58. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, wherein the initial data comprises data related to two or more recipes.

59. (previously presented) The apparatus of claim 49, further comprising means for modifying the additional data as a function of a second utterance.